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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1459 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated June 9, 2004 kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.